

## House Resolution 1557

By: Representatives Bordeaux of the 162<sup>nd</sup>, Jackson of the 161<sup>st</sup>, Stephens of the 164<sup>th</sup>, Carter of the 159<sup>th</sup>, and Bryant of the 160<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and honoring the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee and its officers and the  
2 Grand Marshal of the 2006 St. Patrick's Day Parade, Anthony Ryan, and inviting them to  
3 appear before the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Savannah's St. Patrick's Day heritage dates to 1813, when the oldest Irish  
5 society in the United States, the Hibernian Society, was formed to aid Irish immigrants; and

6 WHEREAS, the first public procession celebrating the City's Irish heritage began March 17,  
7 1824; and

8 WHEREAS, many organizations comprised of Irish or those who love the Irish have worked  
9 together over the years to joyously celebrate this heritage which has made the City of  
10 Savannah, indeed, the entire State of Georgia, warmer, happier, and richer places; and

11 WHEREAS, the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee has carried on the tradition since 1926,  
12 and will once again, on the 17th day of March, 2006, observe that "St. Patrick's Day is an  
13 enchanted time, a day to begin transforming winter's dreams into summer's magic."

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
15 this body recognizes and honors the members of the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee; its  
16 Chairman, Jay Burke; its Vice Chairman, John Forbes; its Secretary, Reid Ryan; and its  
17 Treasurer, Mike Foran; and the 2006 Grand Marshal of the St. Patrick's Day Parade, Anthony  
18 Ryan, for their tireless efforts in celebrating this rich heritage through the 2006 St. Patrick's  
19 Day Parade and many other important contributions to their community and state, and invites  
20 them to appear before this body on a date and at a time designated by the Speaker of the  
21 House of Representatives.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
2 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the St. Patrick's Day Parade  
3 Committee, its officers, and the Grand Marshal of Savannah's 2006 St. Patrick's Day Parade,  
4 Anthony Ryan.